

## Facility Information

**Custody Level:** Minimum Security  
Classification Facility

**Capacity:** 94 men, 24 women

**Annual Operating Budget:** \$3,919,741

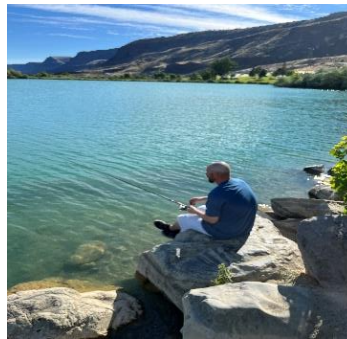
## Community Impacts and Testimonies

In the online article [“Reintegrating with Community: One Man’s Journey Through Wenatchee Valley Reentry Center”](#), the Wenatchee World featured resident Aaron Williams. In the article, Williams states, “Living a structured life with defined roles and responsibilities has been liberating.” He is confident WVRC and the Graduated Reentry Program will support his reintegration into the community.

“It’s the programming, and it’s the conditioning,” he said. “Understanding the value of work and learning how to listen.”

He enrolled at Wenatchee Valley College (WVC) to pursue a business degree and now enjoys visiting his girlfriend, shopping, dining out, and participating in other constructive activities while residing at the center. These privileges are earned and contingent.

“I’m a full-time student so, anybody that’s been to college knows that’s pretty much it,” Williams said. “It’s school and homework.”



## Reimagining Rehabilitation through Normalization and Progressive Design

Wenatchee Valley Reentry Center (WVRC), built in 2023 and opened in 2024, is rooted in Washington Way principles and inspired by a close partnership with [Amend at the University of California San Francisco](#) and Norwegian correctional models. The facility brings the concepts of normalization and progression to life in a space built for genuine rehabilitation.

Designed by [KMB Architects](#), every element in WVRC, from vibrant colors to thoughtful textures, creates a welcoming, normalized environment that contrasts with traditional prison settings and reflects stability, holistic care, and community. The design supports individuals from arrival through release, and is reinforced by meaningful engagement, dynamic security, and consistent, human-centered interactions.

Before opening, staff members attended a four-day training on the skills to create an environment where connection, growth, and transformation are expected and encouraged.

## Wenatchee Valley Reentry Center’s Washington Way Initiatives

WVRC advances reentry through Change Agents that bring staff together to develop best practices that align with the Washington Way and drive culture change. Cross-divisional staff exchanges with major facilities further strengthen understanding of Washington Way initiatives and the continuum of care.

By consistently normalizing environments and daily interactions, WVRC breaks down the traditional “us versus them” mindset. From sharing meals to fostering mentorship and continuous improvement, WVRC focuses on building community and supporting residents’ long-term success through every interaction.



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